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The Vision of Peace.

PEACE, peace to come, to be.
If such were certainty,—
At last, far off, at latest, any while,—
What woe were hard to bear?
What sorrow worth one tear?
Murder would soften, dark despair would smile.

Good-will,—consider this!
What easy, perfect bliss,
If over all the earth the one change spread!
That hate and fear should die,
And men in amity
Let go rapine and wrong and fear and dread.

Till these things come to pass,
Nay,—if it be, indeed, alas!

A vision, let us sleep and dream it true!
Or, sane and broad awake,
For its great sound and sake,
Take it, and make it earth's, and peace ensue!

EDWIN ARNOLD.

